Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently Amended) Manufacturing process of a clinch nut comprising at least the following successive steps:
- a rough metal casting is cut and deformed by cold heading so as to form a rough part comprising at least a recess zone;
 - a bore adjacent to the recess zone is formed by cold heading; and
 - an internal thread is made in the bore,

process-wherein the rough part undergoes a thermal annealing treatment between formation of the recess zone and formation of the bore.

- 2. (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein the rough part is achieved by stamping then by extrusion.
- 3. (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein the bore is achieved by extrusion.
- 4. (Original) Process according to claim 3, wherein the bottom of the bore is drilled.
- 5. (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein the internal thread is achieved by tapping by material upsetting.
- 6. (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein the head of the clinch nut is formed during formation of the rough part.
- 7. (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein the head of the clinch nut is formed during formation of the bore.
- 8. (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein a surface treatment is performed after formation of the internal thread.

- 9. (Original) Process according to claim 8, wherein the surface treatment is an anti-corrosion treatment.
 - 10. (Canceled)
 - 11. (Canceled)
- 12. (New) Process according to claim 1, wherein the rough metal casting is made of a material chosen from steel, stainless steel, aluminum or brass.